



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	Application of	)		RECEIVED
	David HUNG	)		FEB 2 7 2003
Serial	No. 09/912,499	)	Group Art Unit: 3763	TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700
Filed:	July 26, 2001	)	Examiner: K. L. Assadi	#(11/6)
For:	METHODS AND DEVICES FOR DIAGNOSIS OF PRECANCER AND CANCER IN BREAST MILK DUCTS	) ) )	Atty. Dkt. No.: 005284.0009	6 (H 33)

## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Box AF Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 17, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

## **IN THE CLAIMS**:

Please amend claim 1 to read as follows.

1. (Twice Amended) A device for collecting breast duct fluid from within a breast duct in order to detect breast cancer or precancer comprising:

a probe having a diameter sized to penetrate a breast duct and a distal portion being capable of contacting an interior lumen of a breast duct and retrieving a sample of the breast duct fluid from within the duct for analysis, and wherein said probe is free of an opening through

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